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A curious illustration of the manner in which isolated facts are sometimes seized upon as a basis for very wide conclusions in matters connected with the Far East is afforded in some remarks made by Sir J. Gosser in an article on the unemployed question which appeared in the *Fortnightly Review*. In order to enforce the proposition that acute distress is peculiar to Western civilisation and that in more primitive communities the human race is not exposed to misfortune of this kind, he states: "In China, whose ancient civilisation we regard as pitiable and ludicrous, and in which the population is more concentrated than in any part of the world, the industrial population is singularly free from that instability of condition and insecurity of prosperity, from which all Western people suffer," and as a warrant for this assertion, he quotes a statement of M. Eugène Simon, who was formerly French Consul in various parts of China, to the effect that the Chinese, when asked why they did not adopt Western industrial methods were in the habit of replying: "Large industries, such as exist in your country, ruin the individuality of workmen; they become machines and know only one trade. If the factory is stopped, the hands are thrown out of work and die of hunger. In our country, every man knows several trades; if one fails, he can fall back upon another. There is no cessation of work," and M. Simon then goes on to express his own opinion that there are few beggars in the towns in China, and in the country next to none. From these slender facts Sir John Gosser deduces the conclusion that the misery of workers in Western countries is a direct-product of Western civilisation. Upon this basis he proceeds to discuss the general question and probably few will disagree with the suggestions which he makes as to the necessity of steps being taken for the amelioration of the condition of the masses at home; but it is somewhat unfortunate that he should have endeavoured to strengthen his case by a reference to the state of affairs in China upon very doubtful and inadequate information.

How far professional mendacity goes in China, it is naturally difficult for any European to say; though the fact that it is well known that in some places there exist "Beggars' Guilds" would certainly seem to indicate that there must be a very fair number in this condition; but as regards the "hand to mouth" people who make up the so-called "submerged tenth" in any country, anyone who has the slightest knowledge of Chinese cities and has seen anything of the wretched sampan population which is to be found in most of them, will be slow to believe that the indigent are less numerous in proportion to the general population in China than in most places in Europe. There would certainly not be more poverty, but far less, in China, if a portion of its population were employed in large factories, and the remarks of a few narrow-minded Chinese officials upon a point of this kind will scarcely be of much value in solving the difficult economical problems which are exercising the public mind at home at the present moment. The *conteur de roses* aspect of affairs which seems to have been accepted by M. Simon and Sir John Gosser with so much avidity, is certainly not that which presents itself to men like the Abbé Iluc and others who have intimate knowledge of the Chinese, and who have repeatedly called attention to the amount of destitution which exists in many parts of the country. We strongly suspect that in respect to other countries referred to by Sir John Gosser, for instance Egypt, he is under a similar mistake. He says, "In the city of Cairo with its population of more than half a million, there is not a hungry person." This may be so, but anyone who has made a trip to the Pyramids may be excused if he has a shrewd idea that there are some hungry people not very far from the city of Cairo. The truth is that in comparisons of this kind we are apt to fall into the error of concluding that there is necessarily more poverty in the places where attention is called to it than in those where it is less a subject of observation. Of late years special attention has been drawn to the condition of the working classes and the poor in most places in Europe, but more especially in England; and from the facts which are thus brought under notice we are apt to conclude that things are worse there than in countries of which we know less. Certainly there are not many who will consider China a model to hold up to Europe on social and economical questions. The comfortable assurances of M. Simon's native informant (probably his teacher) that under the Chinese system "there is no cessation of work" is hardly reconcilable with numbers of Chinese who are at all times ready to flock to any foreign country that will offer them even the roughest employment. There is, however, one point at which something may be learnt by the working classes in England from those in China, and that is that something may be done to stave off destitution by being willing to live more carefully and frugally while employment is still to be obtained. The British workman can never be in so good a position as one in China in this respect, as it is impossible for him to live upon a little rice and pork, as the masses of the working classes in China do. In this respect the Chinese, in common with many other Asiatics, stand at a great advantage, but even with this in their favour there is no question that in common with other people they often suffer great distress. The English working man or labourer need not, however, look to China for a lesson in this direction. It has been repeatedly pointed out that much could be learnt by him in this respect from his brother workmen in France or in Germany; and there can be no doubt that whatever Government can do in the direction of social reform, permanent amelioration must depend largely upon an increase of intelligence and of habits of providence and foresight on the part of the working men themselves.

Bubonic plague has broken out at Saigon. An Indian and his wife first died of it, says the *Courrier de Saïgon*. Then a Chinese lad was seized and died two days afterwards. The authorities at once took measures to stamp out the disease.

The half-breed body of the European who was found in the jungle near Singapore, as described in yesterday's *Daily Press*, has been identified as that of a German master mariner, named Willem Ahlert, who had been residing at the Anderson Hotel in Cecil Street. The deceased left the hotel in question on the 8th and had not been heard of since. When he left the hotel, the deceased was wearing a nickel watch, but this was not found on the corpse. It is understood that the deceased was for some time Captain of the s.s. *Hong Won*. He leaves wife and family in Liverpool.

The 33rd plague case was recorded yesterday.

Mr. John F. Stevens, the chief engineer of the Panama Canal, has informed the Committee on Inter-Oceanic Canals that American labour cannot do the work of digging the canal and that tropical labourers imported from Jamaica and elsewhere are unsatisfactory. He considers that Chinese labour is the only kind that can be used effectually.

Messrs. Robert Lyon and Co., of 27, Cornhill, wrote to the *Times* on Jan. 15th as follows:—"Referring to your report in the *Times* of Saturday of the casualty to the *Oceanic* steamship, the silks (see enclosed catalogue) which were sold by us on Friday last realized £432 as against the French experts' (at Lyons) estimate of £125 as their damaged value. The goods were forwarded by the underwriters from Lyons to London for sale. We have always found that London is the best market for most classes of damaged goods, a fact which underwriters would do well to consider before settling claims based on heavy allowances assessed by local surveyors abroad."

Papers relating to the admission of Asiatic travellers into Australia have, according to the *Sydney Morning Herald*, been laid upon the table of the House of Representatives at Melbourne. They include official correspondence extending over a considerable period of time between the Australian Government on the one hand and the Consul-General for Japan at Sydney and the Government of India on the other. Japanese merchants, students and tourists may now enter the Commonwealth temporarily without restriction; but, if they remain longer than 12 months, application is necessary for a certificate of exemption. A similar concession has been made in the case of India. The new arrangements were accepted by the respective Governments of Japan and India.

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It is stated that, owing to the prohibitory tariffs on British goods imposed by foreign countries, arrangements have been completed by which all Thornycroft motor-boats and motor vehicles intended for Italy will be made in that country. Moreover, 15 torpedo-boats and destroyers ordered by the Italian Government from Messrs. John I. Thornycroft and Co. (Limited), instead of being built in their yards at Chiswick, will be made from their designs by Messrs. Patterson, de Naples, Ansaldo, Armstrong and Co., and Messrs. Odero, of Genoa. Thus the tariffs will be avoided, but British labour will be the loser. Messrs. Vickers, Sons, and Maxim have also made arrangements by which some guns ordered by the Italian Government will be made for them by the Italian firm of Terzi.

Mr. Marshall Field, probably after Mr. John D. Rockefeller and Mr. Andrew Carnegie the richest man in the United States, died on Jan. 26th at New York, from pneumonia. He was 70 years old. In his later years he never knew how much he was worth, so widely were his possessions distributed in industrial concerns, real estate, stocks, and bonds, but it is believed the value of his estate will amount to \$150,000,000. He paid taxes on \$40,000,000 worth of property in Chicago alone. He was the son of a farmer, and every penny of his vast fortune was made by himself, and made, unlike some other great American fortunes, by methods the honesty of which none ever questioned. The foundation of his fortune was a general merchandise shop in Chicago, which grew in size and prosperity with the rapid growth of the city. Mr. Field's first wife died several years ago. Last September he married in London Mrs. Canon, of Chicago. His only son, Mr. Marshall Field, died last November from a bullet wound following the supposedly accidental discharge of a pistol.

At the Union Church Literary Club, Mr. Geo. Grimble will deliver his lecture on "Handel" to-night (Thursday) at 9 p.m. sharp. He has taken much trouble to get a very select musical programme arranged and his lecture will be illustrated by selections from Handel's works. The meeting is public and free, and the following musical numbers are those chosen to illustrate the lecture:—"Reverie! Timotheus cries," from "Alexander's Feast";—"On Love's Wings," from the opera "Rodolinda";—"He was despatched," from the oratorio "Messiah";—"Behold, a Virgin shall conceive," and "O thou that teldest glad tidings," from the "Messiah";—"Come unto Him," from the "Messiah";—"Honour and Arms," from the Oratorio "Samson";—"How willing my paternal love," from the oratorio "Samson"; and a violin and piano sonata. The performance of these noble classics is in the capable hands of Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Maitland, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Frank Austin, Mr. Paine and Mr. Jock.

We understand that the members of the Sanitary Staff of the Colony received instructions yesterday to get vaccinated without delay.

A coolie was knocked down by a tramcar yesterday afternoon in Connaught Road West. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital with the flesh torn in shreds from his left leg. Amputation was necessary, and the unfortunate native is not expected to recover.

The Japanese Minister arrived at Santiago on Jan. 15th and proceeded to study trade relations between Japan and Chile, especially with regard to the exchange of Japanese manufactures for Chilean sulphate. He will advise Japanese agriculturists to make use of sulphate on their estates.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Feb. 20th.

ANOTHER RAILWAY LOAN.

A Peking telegram received here states that Viceroy Chang Chih-tung has memorialized the Throne to raise further funds from British merchants (or Hongkong Government?) for the construction of the Canton-Hankow Railway. The former agreement entered into by him and the Government for the loan of £1,000,000 was very fairly drawn up, and the terms in that agreement were very satisfactory to both contracting parties.

NEW MILITARY COLLEGE.

The Governor's yamen is to be transformed into a large military college. It was formerly occupied by the head office of the police, who moved out a few days ago. The construction of the college has already commenced. It is estimated that the total cost will amount to about \$400,000.

FLOUR FROM SHANGHAI.

Viceroy Shun has received a petition from the Fan-Tung Co. in Shanghai (Chinese Flour Mill Co.) stating that they are exporting their flour to Kwangtung Province and requesting him to give instructions to the Customs authorities not to charge likin and Customs dues in accordance with the regulations of the Board of Commerce, which provides that necessities of life manufactured in China are free from duty. The Viceroy has issued instructions to the Customs and likin stations not to tax this flour.

MORE PIRACY.

A large junk plying between Fat-shan and Canton, carrying, amongst other valuable merchandise, 300 bales of fine Fat-shan hemp, was looted by pirates on the 17th inst. The pirates made good their escape and no arrest has yet been made.

THE OPIUM TAX.

The secretary of Viceroy Shun sent the following reply to H. B. M's. Consul General, who had written about the increased tax on opium:—

"I have reported that on the 16th inst. the British Consul General here sent a despatch to Viceroy Shun requesting him to temporarily cease enforcing the new increase of the opium tax until the question was decided upon by the two Governments. The Viceroy, in reply, said that the tax on prepared opium was enforced in the Kwangtung Province since the 10th year of Kwang-Hsu. A Government bureau was then established collecting the tax, but that in the 25th year of Kwang-Hsu it was farmed by the monopolist Wing On-teng. All your predecessors and your Honourable Consul General did not protest. In the 28th year of Kwang-Hsu, this monopoly was given to the Kwang-Hing Company and instead of granting the privilege to this concern to tax prepared opium the government gave them the privilege to tax the crude opium imported to Kwangtung in order to enable the monopolist to collect the fullest amount of duty, as it would be difficult for the monopolist to obtain the full amount of the tax after same is imported to be turned into prepared opium. The above appeared to be a double taxation on crude opium. That was the first time we received a letter from your Honourable Consul, saying that you had received instructions from your respectable Minister that it was in contravention to the Chiefso Treaty and requested us to stop the tax. The present operation of the prepared opium tax is to issue licences to the shops that boil crude opium and sell it in its prepared condition. These shops have been requested to take out a licence, and pay a tax for the privilege or licence. Therefore, we are not collecting tax on crude opium, and in that case it does not concern the Chiefso Treaty in the slightest way. Not only has this tax been enforced in this province for a long time, but it has also been enforced in various other provinces. It is now very difficult to give instructions to stop it. You, Honourable Consul-General, have been in Kwangtung for many years. Heretofore you have been known as just and equitable, and, therefore, I am sure you will overlook this matter. This is in reply to your despatch, and I beg to enquire after your health. This is my despatch."

VICEROY SHUN'S REASONABLENESS.

Viceroy Shun writes to the Tartar General and Literary Chancellor that the reported popular subscriptions to the railway funds are "all empty talk, and nothing substantial has been proved," and he is doubtful if all the capital required will be forthcoming, as no doubt much that has been promised will not be paid. But personally, so long as the capital is forthcoming, he does not care how. He is not in love with his own taxation scheme.

THE THEATRE.

After a run in which they met with greater success than even the most sanguine expected, the A.D.C. last night brought their performances of "Princess Toto" to a close. The audience was as large as usual, but perhaps more enthusiastic, and bestowed their acclamations in a very lavish manner.

TELEGRAMS.

[DAILY PRESS' EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

PRINCE ARTHUR IN JAPAN.

Kobe, February 21st.

Prince Arthur of Connaught landed at Yokohama on Monday, and was welcomed by a great crowd. The weather was beautifully fine.

H.R.H. was received at Shimbashi railway station, Tokyo, by the Emperor in person, a most unusual distinction. The station was crowded with notabilities. The preparations at Tokyo were on a magnificent scale, the streets being brilliantly decorated.

The investiture of H.C.M. the Emperor with the insignia of the Order took place on Tuesday with full ceremonial.

ADMIRAL GRENFELL DEAD.

London, February 20th.

Vice-Admiral Harry Tremenhore Grenfell, second in command, China Squadron, died to-day, aged 61 years.

ROSYTH AND THE NAVAL ESTIMATES.

London, February 20th.

The Naval Estimates include a vote of one million sterling for works at Portsmouth Dockyard.

It is again reported that the scheme for making Rosyth a naval depot has been abandoned.

WINDFALL FOR SEAMEN'S CHARITIES.

London, February 20th.

By the will of the late Lord Inverclyde, late Chairman of the Cammard Company, a sum of £300,000 is bequeathed to seamen's charities.

THE OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

London, February 20th.

H. M. the King opened Parliament to-day.

The Speech from the Throne proposed a reduction of the National expenditure, the granting of responsible government to the Transvaal and Orange River Colonies, administrative changes in Ireland associating the people with the conduct of affairs, the amendment of the legislative enactments relating to Education, Workmen's Compensation, Trade Disputes and the Unemployed.

Inquiry is to be directed into the social and economic conditions of the rural districts.

No amendments were offered either by the Labour or Irish Party.

THE MOROCCO CONFERENCE.

GERMANY DECLINES FRENCH PROPOSALS.

London, February 20th.

Germany has declined the proposals made by France for the policing of Morocco.

HUNGARIAN PARLIAMENT FORCIBLY DISSOLVED.

London, February 20th.

The Hungarian Parliament has been forcibly dissolved by troops.

MR. BALFOUR'S OPPONENT.

London, February 20th.

Mr. Gibson Bowles, Independent Conservative, who was recently defeated at King's Lynn, is opposing Mr. Balfour in the City of London.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE OPENING OF PARLIAMENT.

London, February 19th.

Parliament was opened with the usual ceremony, but it was shorn of some of its splendour owing to the Court mourning and the absence of the Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales and the Duke and Duchess of Connaught; the King walked with a stick, but looked remarkably well, and read the speech in a loud and strong voice.

THE CHINESE IN THE TRANSVAAL.

London, February 19th.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman has announced that Chinese in the Transvaal desirous of returning home will not be detained against their will; the Imperial Government will provide funds to repatriate them, and will disallow the judicial punitive methods sanctioned by the recent amending of the ordinance.

Mr. Chamberlain, in the House of Commons, and Lord Lansdowne in the House of Lords have challenged the Government to express their views regarding the Chinese slavery election posters.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

London, February 19th.

The Budapest Diet is surrounded by troops; the Royal Commissioner sent a rescript dissolving the Diet, reserving the question of summoning another; the Lower House unanimously returned the rescript unopened, and adjourned. The Commissioner of the Delegates subsequently read the rescript to an empty house and the troops cleared out, and the officials sealed the doors.

NEW TERRITORY NOTES.

There have been a number of changes in the Customs staff on the frontier, most stations having several transfers of some kind within the last few months.

The sweet potato crop looks very promising at present. Last year it was destroyed by the frost, but this year there has been no frost and the damp winter has caused the potatoes to thrive exceedingly well.

We are also informed that the sugar slips have all been put down for this year's crop. The last year's yield was not all that could be desired, the cane, owing to the dry summer, not having assumed a good appearance.

KOWLOON TO CANTON RAILWAY.

Perhaps no undertaking of the Government is watched with such eager, almost impatient, interest, as the construction of the railway from Kowloon to Canton, and it is reassuring to learn that a commencement has already been made with the work. The Public Works Department have started on the northern section, between Tai-po and Sam Chun, and about 400 coolies are employed in making the embankments which are necessary in view of the perennial floods. This work is in progress at four or five different places—one squad at Tai-po, two or three at Fan Ling, and another at Tsin. Others are engaged diverting the course of streams.

Although the route has been surveyed some little time, its course through the Kowloon mountains has not become public. However, it is known that a tunnel will have to be cut to connect Shatin with Kowloon. With the exception of this, no great engineering difficulties are likely to be encountered. The San Chun River will have to be bridged.

His Excellency the Governor has visited the scene of operations several times of late and seemed satisfied with the progress made.

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

On Tuesday a winchman at work in the fore-hold of the steamship *Man Sang* became entangled in the runner and his body was drawn round the winch. He was terribly mangled and must have been killed instantly. The accident has been reported to the police.

THE LABOUR PARTY.

WILL SIR CHARLES DIKE BE ITS LEADER? It is freely stated in political circles—and the report receives qualified support from statements made by at least one of the Labour members of Parliament—that Sir Charles Dike may lead the Labour Party in Parliament.

This is a development, says a London journal, which has been spoken of ever since it was definitely known that Sir Charles Dike was not included in the Ministry formed by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.

Beyond the fact that the idea of asking Sir Charles to accept the leadership of the party exists in the minds of certain Labour members the rumour has no so far no substantial foundation. Not only has no arrangement been arrived at, but negotiations have not yet been opened.

At present there are two, if not more, distinct sections of the Labour Party. There is the section of which Mr. Burns, Mr. Bart, Mr. Broadhurst are typical members, whose views are more Liberal than Labour, and there is the section led by Mr. Keir Hardie, Mr. Crooks, Mr. Henderson, and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, which aims at building up a new Labour Party, independent of either Liberals or Conservatives.

The general election now in progress has reversed the position of these sections. In the last Parliament the Liberal-Labour section of which Mr. Burns was the chairman was the stronger, the other section being composed of only four members. In the new Parliament the independent section is paramount, and it will exercise the control formerly held by Mr. Burns and the section over which he presided.

Which section is Sir Charles Dike to lead if he decides to lead either? His sympathies would probably lie more with the Liberal-Labour section. It is not expected, however, that he would consent to undertake the leadership until he was elected leader of both sections. To secure this a compromise might be effected whereby the independent section, without losing its independence, and while developing its own programme, might consent to joint a larger group which would co-operate on general Labour questions.

Another stipulation, however, which Sir Charles would probably make would be that the party support him in his foreign policy. To have Sir Charles as its leader and its members accepting the foreign policy which Sir Charles approves would undoubtedly greatly strengthen the Labour Party.

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 22nd Feb. 1906. 479

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship
"RADNORSHIRE,"
Captain C. H. Burch, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have been landed, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 27th February will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th February, at 2.30 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1906. 471

BROCKLEBANK LINE TO THE FAR EAST.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship
"BENGALI,"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the undersigned before Noon on the 27th February, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 27th February will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELEK & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1906. 469

FRENCH PLANTS AND FLOWERS.

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Hongkong, 21st February, 1906. 460

THE HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY.

THE SCOTTISH HISTORY EXAMINATION (advertised in August last) for CHILDREN of Scottish Parents, will be held in the CITY HALL on THURSDAY, 8th March.

Names of intending Competitors should be sent to the undersigned, who will be pleased to supply any further particulars which may be required.

W. ARMSTRONG,
Hon. Secretary
(Care of Butterfield and Swire).
Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. 428

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED are in receipt of s.s. "LOTHIAN," which sailed hence for New York on the 14th December last, has put into Malta for repairs, and that it will be necessary for the steamer to dry dock there before proceeding on her voyage to New York.
DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1906. 406

IMPORT.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ESPECIALLY.

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Hongkong, 29th November, 1902. 2949

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

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THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the OFFICE of the General Managers, St. George's Building, Victoria, on SATURDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1905, declaring a Dividend and electing Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, the 20th FEBRUARY, until SATURDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1906. 362

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th day of February, 1906, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. 334

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 10th, to the 24th day of February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. 333

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 26th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1906. 319

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, King's Buildings, Connaught Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st February to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1906. 411

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Offices, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 8th March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd instant to the 8th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order.
C. PEMBERTON,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1906. 399

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at Queen's Buildings, Victoria, on the 10th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, when the Resolutions set out below, which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 16th day of February, 1906, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions.

By Order of the Board.
JAMES WHITTALL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1906.

RESOLUTIONS:

(1) That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following manner:—
The following Article shall be substituted for Article 130, namely:—
130. The Board, through its Secretary, shall make Yearly Statements of the Accounts of the Company from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, in each year, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at each of the Ordinary Meetings of the Company, together with a Report on the general position of the Company.

(2) That the Board, through its Secretary, shall make a Statement of the Accounts of the Company as from the 1st day of May, 1905, to the 31st day of December, 1905, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Company to be held during 1906 and that, inasmuch as the Accounts of the Company have already been audited and presented to the Shareholders on the 30th April, 1905, no further or other Statements of the Accounts of the Company for the year 1905 shall be called for, or presented to, the Shareholders in respect of Article 130 as this day substituted.

NOTICES OF FIRMS

L'URBAINE FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF PARIS.

WE have This Day RESIGNED the AGENCY at this Port of the above Fire Insurance Co.
P. LEMAITRE & Co.,
Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. 448

L'URBAINE FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF PARIS.

HAVING been Appointed, This Day, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Insurance Co., we are prepared to accept Risks at Current Rates.
MACLEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
3, Duddell Street.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. 449

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM this date, and during the Absence of Mr. G. L. TOMLIN from the Colony, Mr. C. PEMBERTON has been Appointed ACTING SECRETARY to the Company.

A. G. WOOD,
Chairman.
Hongkong, 31st January, 1906. 393

THE HONGKONG CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the rate of \$1.00 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Shareholders, held this day, will be PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after FRIDAY, the 16th February, 1906.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1906. 424

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Hongkong, 12th February, 1906. 407

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AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Hon. THE HARBOUR MASTER, to sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (THURSDAY), the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1906, at 11 a.m., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 3, Des Vieux Road (Corner of Lee House Street),

FIVE CASES RIFLES and EXPLOSIVES. N.B.—Inspection Orders can be had on application at the Government Gunpowder Depot, Green Island.

TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. 432

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, On SATURDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 2.30 p.m., at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road, A FINE ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE CURIOS.

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BARE SATSUMA, FINE CLOISONNE, BRONZES, IVORIES, &c.
COTTON and SILK EMBROIDERED JERSEYS.

TERMS OF SALE—As Customary.

V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1906. 463

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the CAPT. SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, to sell by Public Auction, On MONDAY, the 26th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 11 a.m., at the CENTRAL POLICE STATION'S COMPOUND, SUNDRY OBSOLETE & CONDEMNED STORES.

Comprising:—
RICE, SUGAR, OLD METAL, CLOTHING, &c., &c., &c.

Also
A QUANTITY OF SILVER, GOLD and DIAMOND JEWELRY.

TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1906. 454

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 26th day of February, 1906, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years commencing from the 22nd day of January, 1906, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Area in Sq. Yds.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	100	At the intersection of the Victoria Road and the Victoria Road, Kowloon.	N. 1/4 E. 1/4 W. 1/4 S. 1/4	100	100	100

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PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 26th day of February, 1906, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Peng Chau Island, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Area in Sq. Yds.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	100	At the intersection of the Victoria Road and the Victoria Road, Kowloon.	N. 1/4 E. 1/4 W. 1/4 S. 1/4	100	100	100

INSURANCES

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS at 31st DECEMBER, 1904. £17,161,299.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £3,000,000

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, 2,750,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 837,500 0 0

II. FUND, 9,901,299 12 9

The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th June, 1905. 1567

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LE-CHAPPELLE.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. 113

UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at current rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. 29

TO LET

TO LET.

NO. 74, CAINE ROAD.
Apply to—
COMPRADORE'S DEPARTMENT
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1905. 180

TO LET.

TWO LARGE OFFICES on the First Floor of No. 34, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Post Office. Possession on or after the 10th December, 1905.
Apply to—
WONG CHEE SANG,
Care of Yee Sang Fat & Co.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1905. 107

TO LET.

SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late F. Blackhead & Co. and Showan, Tomes & Co.'s. Ground Floor and Top Floors with Godowns can be let separately or as one lot.
Apply to—
CHUNG SHUN KO,
First Floor, No. 10, Queen's Road Central
Hongkong, 19th July, 1905. 181

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GOOD HOUSE, Partly Furnished. Hill District.
Apply to—
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1906. 409

TO LET.

SPACIOUS GODOWN. Central position.

Apply to—
X. X. X.,
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1905. 103

TO LET.

NO. 15, KNUTSFORD TERRACE KOWLOON.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1905. 177

TO LET.

BARROW TERRACE, (Kowloon) Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8.
SEYMOUR ROAD LOWER, Nos. 27 & 31.
CAINE ROAD, Nos. 57 and 59.
STONEHAVEN, Robinson Road, No. 35.
TANG YUEN, Macdonnell Road, No. 18 (12 Rooms).

ICE HOUSE STREET, No. 6 (1st & top Floors, 4 Rooms each floor).

WAN CHAI ROAD, No. 94 (a Spacious Godown).

PRAYA EAST, No. 90. (Godown).

Apply to—
SAM WANG CO., LD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1906. 386

TO LET.

AT QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, the Offices (Ground Floor) lately occupied by Hamburg-America Line.

Apply to—
SIEMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1906. 1299

TO LET.

SUITABLE for Office, ONE ROOM in Prince's Buildings.

Apply to—
LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.
FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.
TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAPAN
AND SUMATRA PORTS.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMED"	On 22nd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 13th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TEENKAI"	On 13th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 13th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NACHOAN"	On 20th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 28th March.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"SAINT BEDE"	On 27th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 13th March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 20th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ALCINOUS"	On 27th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	On 10th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TEENKAI"	On 24th April.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Operating in conjunction with
THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.
AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL OVERLAND
COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"KEEMUN"	On 19th March.
FROM TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA, and PACIFIC COAST	"OANFA"	On 25th February.

For Freight, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1906.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
TSINGTAO and CHEFOO	"HUPEH"	On 22nd February.
TIENTSIN	"CHIHLE"	On 23rd February.
SWATOW and TIENTSIN	"KWEICHOW"	On 24th February.
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"NINGPO"	On 25th February.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 27th February.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRN S., TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TSINAN"	On 28th February.
CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 6th March.
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG"	On 7th March.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duty qualified Surgeon is carried.
Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.

REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.
For Freight or Passage, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1906.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS
AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG— SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING
TAMUUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 25th Feb., at 10 A.M.
TAMUUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"DAIGI MARU"	SUNDAY, 4th Mar., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOI AND FOCHOW	"SHOSHU MARU"	THURSDAY, 22nd Feb., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOI AND FOCHOW	"T. KENGO"	THURSDAY, 8th Mar., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOI AND FOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	THURSDAY, 8th Mar., at 10 A.M.

These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted throughout with electric light.
Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.
T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1906.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	FORMOSA	About 23rd February	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DELTA	About 23rd February	Freight and Passage.
LONDON &c. via usual ports	J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	Neon, 24th February	See Special of Call.
YOKOHAMA via SHANGHAI	SOCOTRA	About 4th March	Freight only.
MOJI and KOBE	W. R. Hickey	February	Freight only.

For further Particulars, apply to—
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1906.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"BENLARIQ."

Captain Wallace, will be despatched as above on about the 23rd inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 6th February 1906.

THE ORIENTAL PACIFIC LINE.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO via PORTS.

THE Steamship

"SEMINOLE."

Tons 6,060, will be despatched about the 6th March.

For Freight, apply to—
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1906.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
EUROPEAN LINE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.

STEAMERS WILL ALSO CALL AT GIBRALTAR & SOUTHAMPTON
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES.
ZITEN	WEDNESDAY ... 25th February
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY ... 14th March
BAIERN	WEDNESDAY ... 25th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY ... 11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY ... 25th April
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY ... 9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY ... 23rd May
ROON	WEDNESDAY ... 6th June

ON WEDNESDAY, the 25th day of FEBRUARY, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship "ZITEN," Captain P. von Bünz, with MAILES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on Monday, the 25th February. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, the 27th February, and will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on Tuesday, the 27th February. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement. The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardsess. Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NAPLES, GENOA and GIBRALTAR	251 0 0	112 0 0	52 0 0
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN and HAMBURG	65 0 0	44 0 0	24 0 0
TO NEW YORK via SUEZ	115 0 0	79 0 0	47 0 0
VIA NAPLES, GENOA or GIBRALTAR	68 0 0	45 0 0	27 0 0
VIA BREMEN or SOUTHAMPTON	123 0 0	83 0 0	49 0 0

In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltair and travelling to Bremen or Southampton orland the same rates to be applied as via NAPLES, GENOA or GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's expense.

TOUR VIA INDIA:
Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co. from SINGAPORE to CALCUTTA instead of an Imperial Mail steamer from Singapore to Colombo. The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is, however, not included. INTERRUPTION OF THE VOYAGE IN INDIA:
Passengers to European and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean Steamers from ALEXANDRIA, to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer from Port Said.

JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIAN LINE.

VIA NEW GUINEA.

FOR MANILA, SIMPSONHAFEN, FRIEDRICH WILHELMSHAFEN, HERBERTSHOEHE, MATUPI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

STEAMER	TONS	SAILING DATES
WILLEHAD	4733 tons	TUESDAY, 6th March.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	3327 tons	TUESDAY, 3rd April.
PRINZ SIGISMUND	3302 tons	TUESDAY, 1st May.

ON TUESDAY, the 6th MARCH, at Noon, the Steamship "WILLEHAD," Captain Ohsen, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above. The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO MANILA	\$50.—	\$30.—	\$20.—
TO NEW GUINEA	\$23.—	\$18.10	\$14.00
TO BRISBANE	\$30.—	\$20.—	\$14.—
TO SYDNEY	\$33.—	\$23.—	\$15.—
TO MELBOURNE	\$34.10	\$24.10	\$16.—
TO YOKOHAMA	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
TO KOKOHAMA and back from KOBE to HONGKONG	\$95.00	\$70.00	\$50.00

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG: 1st Class \$97.0 0. TO EUROPE via AUSTRALIA and AMERICA. TO EUROPE via AUSTRALIA and AMERICA. From Australia to New York by the O.P.R. Co.'s steamers, or via San Francisco by the O. & S.S. Co.'s steamers, and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent Express Steamers of N.D.L.

SAILINGS OUTWARDS.

EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN SERVICE

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HOGO & YOKOHAMA	BAYERN ... Friday, 2nd March.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	PRINZ WALDEMAR ... Wednesday, 14th March.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ... Wednesday, 14th March.

TRANS-PACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG via Vancouver or San Francisco to New York by the C.P.R. Co.'s steamers P.M.S.S. Co., O. & S.S. Co., T. K. K. and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent Express Steamers of the Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following Rates:—
To London via Plymouth or Southampton ... 62. 0 0.
To Bremen ... 63. 10 0.
To Paris via Cherbourg ... 65. 0 0.
To Naples, Genoa via Gibraltair ... 65. 0 0.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to—
MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1906.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON S. S. CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO.

CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA

via

MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Sailing Date.
TREMONT	9,606	T. W. Garlick	On 26th February.
HYADES	3,753	J. Alwen	On 6th March.
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	On 6th April.
SHAWMUT	9,606	E. V. Roberts	On 28th April.

Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND CUISINE. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSE. The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" are fitted with very Superior Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried in cold storage.

PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For further information apply to—

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,

GENERAL AGENTS.

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1906.

A. LING & CO.

FURNITURE STORE.

PLATED GLASS AND CROCKERY

WARE, &c. &c., and FOOCHOW

LACQUERED WARE.

68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1903.

SURGEON DENTIST.

No. 10, D'AGUIAR STREET

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation Free.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1905.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1906.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

FOR

MARSEILLES AND LONDON.
TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers to COLOMBO	Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due at LONDON (1 day later)
DELHI ... 8000 tons	Feb. 24	MOLDAVIA ... 10000 tons	Saturday Mar. 24	Friday Mar. 30
DONGOLA ... 8000 tons	Mar. 10	MONGOLIA ... 10000 tons	Monday Mar. 27	Saturday Mar. 31
DELTA ... 8000 tons	Mar. 24	MOULTAN ... 10000 tons	Thursday Mar. 29	Sunday Apr. 1
OCEANA ... 7000 tons	Apr. 7	MARNORA ... 10500 tons	Sunday Apr. 1	Saturday Apr. 7
ARCADIA ... 7000 tons	Apr. 21	VICTORIA ... 7000 tons	Monday Apr. 23	Sunday Apr. 29
DEVANHA ... 8000 tons	May 5	HIMALAYA ... 8000 tons	Thursday May 3	Monday May 7
DELHI ... 8000 tons	May 19	INDIA ... 8000 tons	Sunday May 13	Thursday May 17

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.
Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:—

INTERMEDIATE (non-transshipment) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON.

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS.	Leave HONGKONG	Leave SINGAPORE	Due at LONDON
TONYACH	about Feb. 14	about Feb. 23	about Mar. 31
↑ JAPAN	about Feb. 28	about Mar. 9	about Apr. 14
↑ SUMATRA	about Mar. 14	about Mar. 23	about Apr. 28
↑ NUBIA	about Mar. 28	about Apr. 6	about May 12
↑ JAMA	about Apr. 11	about Apr. 20	about May 25
↑ FORMOSA	about Apr. 25	about May 4	about Jun. 9

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malacca or Marseilles.
↑ "SUMATRA" and "NUBIA" call at MARSEILLES.
↑ "JAPAN," "JAMA" and "FORMOSA" carry only First Saloon Passengers.

For Passage apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1906.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.

THE Steamship

"YEDDO."

Captain Baird, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about TUESDAY, 27th inst.

For Freight, apply to—
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1906.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT).

CALLING AT SINGAPORE, PENANG,

RANGOON, COLOMBO, BOMBAY,

KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRASSI, to SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"AUSTRIA."

Captain Colledani, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th March.

This Steamer has splendid accommodation for passengers, electric light and carries a doctor and stewardess.

For information as to Passage and Freight apply to—
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents.

Princes' Buildings.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS

in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line

are prepared to issue "THROUGH" bills of

LADING for all the principal ports in

South-Africa, in connection with Indo-

China Steam Navigation Co.'s fortnightly

service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailing from

CALCUTTA for Cape Ports every fortnight

For Freight and further particulars

apply to—
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.

General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1898

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Delta*, with the English mail of the 26th January, left Singapore on Sunday, the 18th instant, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at 8 a.m. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 26th December, and the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 17th January, and for despatch overland on the 24th January.

The *Siberia*, with the American mail is expected to leave Shanghai on Wednesday, the 21st inst., at 10 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per s.s. *Wingchai* on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for Macao is closed at 8.00 a.m.

Mails for CANTON, SAMSHUI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.

Mails for CANTON, NANTAO, SANBUE, KONGMOON, KUMCHUK, SAMSHUI, and WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m. No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE.
Bangkok	Loosok	Thursday, 22nd, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Kuikang	Thursday, 22nd, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Heungshan	Thursday, 22nd, 1.15 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Kuikang	Thursday, 22nd, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Kuikang	Thursday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Tientsin and Chioche	Hupoh	Thursday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Kobe, Yokohama and Portland	Arakia	Thursday, 22nd, 4.00 P.M.
Hokoh, Singapore and Hongkong	A. Richmers	Thursday, 22nd, 5.00 P.M.
Amoy and Manila	Zafro	Friday, 23rd, 8.00 A.M.
Swatow	Haiman	Friday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Yikang	Friday, 23rd, 11.00 A.M.
Macao	Heungshan	Friday, 23rd, 1.15 P.M.
Amoy	Hong Moh	Friday, 23rd, 2.00 P.M.
Tientsin	Chihki	Friday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Hobart, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, and Perth	Yowata Maru	Friday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and Tacoma W. C.	Tremont	Saturday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tuzicorin		Saturday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
(Last Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Supplementary mail on board to the time fixed for departure of the mail.)		
(Extra Postage 10 cents in all the Ports.)		
(Letters posted in all the Ports before 10 a.m. for the first clearance will be included in the contract mail.)		
The Parcel Mail will be closed on Friday, the 23rd inst., at 5 p.m.		
Macao	Loosok	Saturday, 24th, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai	Kuikang	Saturday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila	Loosok	Saturday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow and Tientsin	Kuikang	Saturday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama	Tymah	Saturday, 24th, 4.00 P.M.
Amoy, Straits and Rangoon	Palencia	Saturday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai	Ningpo	Sunday, 25th, 3.00 P.M.

TO-DAY.

Sale, Rides and Explosives. Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLO SINGQUOTATIONS

On LONDON—February 21st.	
Telegraphic Transfer	204
Bank Bills, on demand	204
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	204
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	204
Credit, at 4 months sight	204
Documentary Bills, 4 months sight	204
On PARIS—	
Bank Bills, on demand	261
Credit, at 4 months sight	261
On GERMANY—	
Bank Bills, on demand	213
Credit, at 4 months sight	213
On NEW YORK—	
Bank Bills, on demand	50
Credit, at 60 days sight	51
On BORNEO—	
Telegraphic Transfer	154
Bank, on demand	154
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Telegraphic Transfer	154
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Bank, at sight	71
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Bank, on demand	101
On MANILA—	
On demand	13
On BATAVIA—	
On demand	23
On HATYONG—	
On demand	23
On SAIGON—	
On demand	61
On BANGKOK—	
On demand	61
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	9.55
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per seal	50.60
BAR SILVER, per oz.	30

OPIUM.

Quotations are—	Allow 6 not to 1 cent.
Malwa New	\$1010 to per point
Malwa Old	\$1070 to per point
Malwa V. Old	\$1130 to per point
Malwa V. Old	\$1130 to per point
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VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The P. & O. str. *Delta* left Singapore for this port on the 18th Feb., at 8 a.m., and is due here to-morrow, about 8 a.m.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P.M. str. *Siberia* is expected to sail from Shanghai on the 21st Feb., at 10 p.m., making her due at this port on Friday night.

THE GERMAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. *Zieten* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on Sunday, the 15th Feb., p.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 27th Feb.

THE ITALIAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. *Bayerna* left Colombo on the 21st Feb., a.m., and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 3rd March.

THE JAPANESE MAIL.
The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Diomed* left Singapore on the 16th Feb., at 5 p.m., and is due here to-day.

THE STRAITS MAIL.
The str. *Ararat* from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 18th Feb., and may be expected here to-morrow.

THE CANTON MAIL.
The J.C. str. *Lijun* str. *Typhoon* left Kobe via Moji and Amoy for this port on the 14th Feb., and may be expected here on or about 24th Feb.

THE N.Y.K. str. *Den of Matsue* from London, &c., left Singapore for this port on the 19th Feb., and is expected to arrive here on the 25th Feb.

THE M.M. str. *Louisa* from Amoy and ports, on the 20th Feb., a.m., and is expected here on or about Monday, the 26th Feb.

THE IUDO-CHINA str. *Kuikang*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 20th Feb., at 5 p.m.

THE C.N. str. *Mitsushima* from Seattle, arrived at Yokohama on Friday, the 16th Feb., at 9 p.m.

The Boston S.S. Co. str. *Tremont* sailed from Shanghai on the 16th Feb. for Hongkong and Manila.

The C.N. str. *Changsha*, from Australian ports, left Thursday Island on the 16th Feb., and is due here on or about the 2nd March.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong, February 21st.		
Alhambra	\$200	\$100.
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$125	\$802, sellers
National B. of China	25	\$38, buyers
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	12a. 6d.	\$34, sellers
China-Borneo Co.	\$12	\$10, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	\$10	\$9.
China Provident	\$10	\$8.00, sellers
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	Tls. 50	Tls. 54, buyers
Hongkong	\$10	\$144, buyers
International	Tls. 75	Tls. 40.
Luen Kung Mow	Tls. 100	Tls. 60.
Soyabao	Tls. 500	Tls. 250.
Dairy Farm	\$8	\$15, sellers
Docks and Wharves—		
Farnham, B. & Co.	Tls. 100	Tls. 124, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	\$50	\$107, sellers
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$104, sellers
New Amoy Dock	\$50	\$107, buyers
S'hai & H. Wharf	Tls. 100	Tls. 230, sellers
Farwick & Co., Geo.	\$25	\$24.
G. Island Cement	\$10	\$324, buyers
Hongkong & C. Gas	\$210	\$175, buyers
Hongkong Electric	\$210	\$184, buyers
Do. New	\$210	\$154, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	\$100	\$245, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	\$50	\$149.
Hongkong Ice Co.	\$25	\$230, buyers x. d.
Hongkong Rope Co.	\$50	\$152, buyers
H'kong S. Waterboat	\$10	\$12, sellers
Insurance—		
Canton	\$50	\$35, buyers
China Fire	\$20	\$88, buyers
China Traders	\$25	\$92, buyers
Hongkong Fire	\$50	\$320.
North China	\$5	Tls. 92.
Union	\$100	\$740.
Yongtze	\$50	\$174, buyers
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land	\$100	\$110, sellers
Hampshire's Estate	\$10	\$11.75, sales ex. d.
Kowloon Land & B.	\$30	\$17, sellers
Shanghai Land	Tls. 5	Tls. 115.
Westpoint Building	\$50	\$53, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fr. 250	\$490.
Baobis	19/10	\$3.50, sellers
Philippine Co.	20	\$5, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	\$100	\$214.
Luzon Sugar	\$100	\$41.
Steamship Companies—		
China and Manila	\$25	\$21, buyers
Douglas Steamship	\$50	\$30, buyers
H. Canton & M.	\$15	\$24, sellers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	\$10	\$57, sellers
Shell Transport Co.	\$21	\$27, sellers
Do. Preference	\$10	\$10.
Star Ferry	\$10	\$32.
Do. New	\$5	\$23, sellers
Shanghai & H. Dock	\$50	\$50.
South China M. Post	\$25	\$24, sellers
Steam Laundry Co.	\$5	\$7, sellers
Do.	\$5	\$7, sellers
Stores & Dispensaries—		
Campbell, M. & Co.	\$10	\$38.
Powell & Co., Wm.	\$10	\$11, sales
Watkins	\$10	\$3, sellers
Watson & Co., A. S.	\$10	\$13, sellers
United Asbestos	\$4	\$9.
Do. Foundries	\$10	\$160.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Palencia*, from Pangoon, &c., Mr. and Mrs. Steadman.

DEPARTED.

Per *Tartar*, for Vancouver, &c., Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Curtis, Messrs. L. W. Longley, Jas. Charlesworth, A. L. Molins, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. de la Vergne, Messrs. W. Christen, J. Lyons, J. Johnston, Mrs. I. Mont, Messrs. J. W. Travis, F. H. Jones, C. G. Blackner, M. Pfeiderer, D. Dow, Mrs. K. Hermann, Mr. S. P. Reed, Miss M. Lloyd-Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. G. Galt and 3 children, Mrs. Takahashi, Messrs. R. Otsuka, W. Farquharson, Miss H. Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Cullen, Messrs. A. G. Wood, K. Karaki, K. Matsuo and C. B. Perkins.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From February 22nd to 28th, 1906.

To correct Zone Time add 23 min. and 18 sec.

Hour	Mean Time	Height	Hour	Mean Time	Height
1	10.47	1.2	13	10.47	1.2
2	10.52	1.4	14	11.02	1.4
3	10.57	1.6	15	11.07	1.6
4	11.02	1.8	16	11.12	1.8
5	11.07	2.0	17	11.17	2.0
6	11.12	2.2	18	11.22	2.2
7	11.17	2.4	19	11.27	2.4
8	11.22	2.6	20	11.32	2.6
9	11.27	2.8	21	11.37	2.8
10	11.32	3.0	22	11.42	3.0
11	11.37	3.2	23	11.47	3.2
12	11.42	3.4	24	11.52	3.4
13	11.47	3.6	25	11.57	3.6
14	11.52	3.8	26	12.02	3.8
15	11.57	4.0	27	12.07	4.0
16	12.02	4.2	28	12.12	4.2
17	12.07	4.4	29	12.17	4.4
18	12.12	4.6	30	12.22	4.6
19	12.17	4.8			
20	12.22	5.0			
21	12.27	5.2			
22	12.32	5.4			
23	12.37	5.6			
24	12.42	5.8			

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER)

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 5,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS:

Amoy, Anping, Fuchow, Keelung, Kobe, Nagasaki, Ningbo, Shanghai, Tainan, Taipei, Yokohama.

HONGKONG OFFICE:

3, DES VUEX ROAD.

Interest allowed on Current Account.

Deposits received on terms which may be learned on application.

S. RHIGENAGA, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1904.

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BANKS

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Fiscal Agents of the United States in China and the Philippine Islands and the Republic of Panama.

CAPITAL AND RESERVES

AUTHORIZED Gold \$10,000,000

CAPITAL PAID UP Gold \$5,250,000

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HEAD OFFICE: New York.

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LONDON BRANCHES.

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

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For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.

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H. PINCKNEY, Manager.

9, Queen's Road, Central, Hongkong, 29th September, 1905.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE BUSINESS OF THE ABOVE BANK IS CONDUCTED BY THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 per cent. per annum.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000

RESERVE FUND \$10,000,000

STRENGTH RESERVE \$10,000,000

SILVER RESERVE \$500,000

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